

A GIGANTIC SCHEME

To Control the Gas Franchises for Fifty Years.

A MAGNIFICENT GIFT ASKED.

Should Peter Tompkins Strike a Ten Million Gasser He Would Have to Aste Up to the Syndicate.

The free gift enterprise of street franchises is again being worked.

A half dozen gentlemen have constituted themselves into a self-improvement company, and ask the city council to create the sole beneficiaries of all the natural gas that will be discovered within piping distance to this city for half a century.

Should Peter Tompkins strike a well on the west side of the city and strike a ten million rushing roaring monster gasser that shook the earth for miles around, the noise of which could be heard across the continent, Mr. Peter Tompkins would have the choice of either letting his gas run into the air or plug up his hole, unless the "syndicate" saw fit to allow him to pipe it about town.

Gas is very often discovered when least expected and the chances are that when it is "struck" it will be in sinking a well for some other purpose than to get gas. Should a man be fortunate enough to make such a find he must at once capitulate to the syndicate.

But of course this syndicate, like all others, is brim full of good intentions and will hold out that it will perforate the earth's crust in this locality until it looks like an inverted calender in "wildcatting" for the gas.

Here is the magnificent proposition as published in THE HERALD on Thursday:

"The Salt Lake Improvement company, a corporation, asked for a franchise for the right of way and privilege of opening up the streets, railways and alleys of this city for the laying of pipes for the distribution of natural or manufactured gas for heating and power purposes in the city upon the following conditions: That the cost of natural gas for domestic purposes shall not exceed 30 cents per month for each cooking stove; \$1 per month for each heating range; \$1.50 per month for each heater in private residences, and the same for each horse power of stationary engines. Second—That the privilege granted, be exclusive for fifty years, the city to have the privilege to purchase the works of the petitioners at any time after their completion, upon payment of the full cost of the works, with 10 per cent. interest on the same up to the time of purchase.

"Third—That the opening of the streets for the placing of pipes be done expeditiously, and that the city shall not be liable for any damages resulting in the construction of the works.

"Fourth—That the pipes shall be embedded in trenches not less in depth than three feet from the surface.

"Fifth—That the pipes be of the best wrought iron, and that no natural gas shall be introduced in any residence, business place or manufactory with a pressure exceeding four pounds to the square inch.

"Sixth—That work shall be commenced within sixty days from granting the franchise. Referred to the committee on improvements."

Exclusive franchises are dangerous grants.

The proposition to sell back to the city the rights of the natural gas company there.

The citizens complained that the price fixed by the ordinance was burdensome and that natural gas cost more than coal.

"Very well," said the gas company, "we are making no money as it is, and if you want to buy our plant you can have it at what it cost."

Several meetings were held, and among the witnesses summoned was Hon. Charles Foster, candidate for the United States Senate from that state.

"Calico," Charles had the figures so fixed that it was shown in black and white that the plant cost \$2,000,000. Dan O'Day, the "bandy man" of the Standard Oil company, also mastered a handsome array of figures that corroborated "Calico's" claim for every particular.

The city secured an expert at pipe line construction who figured the cost of every foot of pipe to duplicate the line, and after making a liberal allowance for construction, reported that the plant could be duplicated for a little over half a million dollars.

This led to a closer investigation, which unearthed the fact that the stock had been watered a million dollars, and this was put in as part of the "original" cost of the plant.

Of course the gentlemen of the self-improvement company are more above the methods in vogue and of common practice by the average candidate on the Republican ticket for the office of United States Senator.

Judge Goodwin and Mr. Middlemiss know would never brook such "watery ways."

If the natural, artificial and supernatural gas privileges were paying 300 per cent. on the investment of "a promise to sell out at cost with 10 per cent. on fifty years," they would turn out the plant for a like consideration, which would be a promise to sell out to the city within sixty years.

It may not have dawned on the mechanical head of the self-improvers that it has not yet been found a practical way of using the gas that were laid for artificial gas for the transporting of natural gas.

Competition is the life of the natural gas business as well as of every other industry. The best service at the cheapest rates are to be found in cities where the streets are open for all. At Indianapolis the citizens found it necessary to pay a "contribution" to free itself from the extortionate prices charged by the Indianapolis natural gas company.

If Salt Lake wants to remain free and prosperous, the city council must zealously guard the rights of the people and refrain from giving away the exclusive franchises in these broad, magnificent thoroughfares, wide enough for a half dozen gas companies to pipe all the gas that will ever be discovered in the next fifty years.

If the city council desires to encourage prospecting for gas in this vicinity it must keep the streets open for him who finds it and not close them with an exclusive franchise. The granting of an exclusive franchise to an exclusive few is a "contribution" to all others inclined to prospect for the fuel that their gas is not wanted.

Why a few individuals should conclude that they ought to be favored with such an exceptional privilege to the exclusion of all the rest of the gas seekers is beyond the comprehension of

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THE STUDENTS' SOCIETY.

Don Carlos Young's Lecture on Architecture Was Very Highly Appreciated.

A meeting of the Students' society of the Latter-day Saints college was held, as usual, in the Social hall, on Friday evening. After the usual preliminary exercises, Miss Katie Thomas rendered an essay upon "The Method of Reading," in which was shown the value of good books and how they should be read to bring the best results.

An organ selection was well rendered by Miss Katie Romney.

The next was a lecture by Mr. D. C. Young, upon the subject of architecture. The gentleman stated that architecture was one of the most useful of arts or sciences, yet it was the least understood. It is a vast subject, there being scarcely any branch of study that could not be applied to it. Our best citizens are the mechanics, those who understood and applied sciences as well as science theoretically. The per-

fection of Roman and Grecian architecture was spoken of, after which, an history of architecture was given. The first we know anything of is Indian architecture, which was simply an excavation in solid rock. They located their cities in the mountains, where there was an abundance of rock, instead of hauling their material as we do. The Egyptians were spoken of next and a description of their pyramids was given, with illustrations. The five different kinds of architecture developed by the Greeks and Romans were described. The first three, Doric, Ionic and Corinthian, were developed by the Greeks, and the Tuscan and Composite by the Romans. The Tuscan is very much like the Doric. The Composite is a union of the Ionic and the Corinthian. A building with many arches is called the Roman style, because first introduced by the Romans. The pointed arches, called the Gothic style, has come into use now. The architecture of the temple was spoken of. The gentleman stated that it was built after no style, but was mostly original; it was, however, the admiration of all who saw it. The students were advised to seek for knowledge out of school and to learn to apply the science learned in school. The lecture was followed by a song by Miss Kay Ricks.

Chairman Walton thanked those who had taken part and the audience for their good attention. The choir sang and the benediction was pronounced by Mr. James Sanders.

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KAYSVILLE KINKS.

Hon. Joseph Barton was down from Ogden yesterday.

The first snow of the season fell early yesterday morning.

As was expected, Mr. William H. Clow took charge of the postoffice business on Wednesday the 1st inst.

The scenery of the mountains at this season of the year is magnificent. Clothed in they are in every shade of color, from crimson to nut brown, they present a very beautiful appearance.

At the primary meeting held in the city hall last Monday evening, Geo. Swan, Jr., T. H. Phillips, T. F. Rousche and C. D. Bennett were elected as delegates to the county convention, with Levi Taylor and H. T. Robins as alternates. The county convention met at Farmington on Wednesday and elected E. P. Ellison, of Layton, and L. M. Grant, of Bonifant, to attend the territorial convention.

Pursuant to a call made by a committee appointed for the purpose at the primary meeting, a meeting was held last Thursday evening for the purpose of organizing a political club of the people's party. After considerable unnecessary wrangling as to the what name the club should call under, an organization was effected with James H. Langford, Jr., as president, F. B. Williams, secretary, and Elijah Laycock as janitor. The first meeting of the club will be held next Thursday evening, when it is expected an interesting programme will be carried out.

KAYSVILLE, Oct. 4, 1890.

BITS FROM BEAVER.

Mineral in the East Mountain District—The Railway Nuisance.

During the past ten days prospectors have been flocking to the East Mountain mining district. This place has shown some very fine specimens of ore, some heavy in gold. Developments from this place are watched with much interest by the people, as the district is within three miles from the city, and a rich strike is made will tend to boom our city as she deserves.

Railroad matters in Beaver are still in the dark; we hope, however, that these affairs will shortly come to light. The preliminary survey, spoken so much about a few weeks ago, has not yet been made; no we know when it will be.

The shur mines in Cove creek will soon start up in good shape. The Beaver Sulphur company, too, are preparing for something and any day may bring out a boom in that direction.

The Union Pacific is the greatest nuisance in the shape of a railroad with which the people have to deal. The burning of the depot everything in the way of freight and passengers is in a jumble. Passenger accommodations, in the way of waiting rooms, are, to say the least, uninviting. These consist of a free occupancy of the open air, which, on a moderate night in Milford with the wind blowing, fill the air with oaths hot enough to warm the town.

The roller mills have been lately running to their utmost capacity day and night.

Coal is said to have been discovered in various places not far from Beaver. It is thought the coal is in our city; within the last week land has been selling at \$200 an acre.

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